A.—Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Information and Publicity).—

(*a*) Yes. Under certain existing schemes of the Sericluture Department, assistance is also being given to the sericulturists belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes on a liberalised pattern.

(*b*) The pattern of assistance being given generally to all the Sericulturists and to those who belong to Schedule Castes and Scheduled Tribes is indicated below :

	Name of the Scheme	General pattern of assistance	Pattern of assistance to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.
1	Construction of rearing houses.	100 Per cent loan	50 Per cent loan and 50 per cent subsidy.
2	Sinking Wells	Loan and Subsidy	Loan and Subsidy on a more liberalised scale.
3	Construction of Grainage-*cum*-Rearing Houses.	100 Per cent loan	50 Per cent subsidy and 50 per cent loan.
4	Supply of Chandrikes.	at 75 Per cent of cost.	free of cost

There is a separate scheme under implementation in Kolar Division under which Common Rearing Houses with implements is to be provided to the Sericulturists belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

(*c*) 25 *i.e.*, 24 are provided with Chandrikes and 1 with a rearing house.

(*d*) In view of reply to clause (*e*) this does not arise.

Mulberry Cultivation area in each District

46. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Minister for Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Information and Publicity be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the extent of mulberry cultivation area in each district of the State ;

(*b*) the extent of mulberry cultivated area in Ramanagaram Sub-Division;

(*c*) the extent of assistance given by Government to the ryot for the development of mulberry cultivation in the State?

A.—Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Information and Publicity).—

(*a*).—

District			*A.* *G.*
Bangalore	about	...	23,500—00
Tumkur	,,	...	2,400—00
Mysore	,,	...	1,30,000—00
Mandya	,,	...	12,000—00
Kolar	,,	...	16,500—00
Chitradurga	,,	...	5—00
Coorg	,,	...	150—00
Belgaum	,,	...	65—00
Dharwar	,,	...	35—00

(*b*) About 14,000—00 acres.

(*c*) Please see the statement enclosed.

STATEMENT

Showing assistance given to Sericulturists

(1) Supply of Mulberry seed cuttings, saplings and grafts to the extent available in the Government farms free of cost.

(2) Technical know-how is freely given.

(3) Silk worm eggs are supplied at reasonable rates in adequate quantities through Government Seed preparing institutions.

(4) Financial Assistance in the form of loan and subsidy is extended for sinking of wells, construction of silk worm rearing houses.

(5) Takavi Loans are granted for improving the concerned branches of the industry in which the sericulturist is interested.

(6) Silk worm up to second stage (young worms) are reared in the Chawki Rearing Centres maintained by Government and issued to the sericulturists free of cost to the extent possible.

(7) Mountages or Chandrikes are supplied at subsidised costs to the seed rearers.

(8) Co-operative Societies are being organised for the benefit of sericulturists.

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(9) Sericulture training, free of cost, is imparted to bona fide agriculturists through the Government Farms.

(10) As an incentive, the following further concessions are extended to the sericulturists of Belgaum area, a new developing area for the industry.

(*a*) free supply of disease free layings.

(*b*) purchase of reeling cocoons at a flat rate of Rs. 5 per Kg.

Development of Silk Industry.

47. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Minister for Animal Husbandry, Publicity and Information, Fisheries and Sericulture be pleased to state ;—

(*a*) Whether it is a fact that the sericulture occupies fourth rank in the world among the occupation of the people ;

(*b*) The steps taken by Government for the development of silk industry in the state ?

A.—Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Animal Husbandry, Fisheries Publicity and Information).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Various schemes have been taken up for the development of the industry. The schemes cover all the sectors of the industry from mulberry cultivation up to reeling and marketing. The schemes are detailed in the statement enclosed.

STATEMENT

Showing the names of the Sericultural schemes proposed to be implemented by the State Government.

(1) Increasing the supply of Hill Reared Basic Seed to two lakhs (i) B. R. Hills—(ii) Ooty.

(2) Indroduction of Mysore Silkworm Seed and Cocoon (Regulation of production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 1959 including Testing and Grading of Cocoons.

(3) Starting of three Foreign Race Seed Cocoon Farms at Lalgondanahalli, Chamarajanagar and Heralahalli.